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Attorney Docket No. ATI-292

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: Randy W. Gibson

Art Unit: 2841

Re: Application of:

David S. Breed et al.

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For:

Apparatus and Method for Controlling a vehicle
Component

Confirmation No.:

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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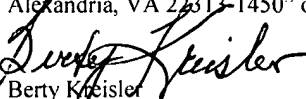
In response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2004 which set a three-month shortened statutory period for reply expiring on July 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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